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To: Hoernemann, Todd A CIV USARMY CENAP (USA) [Todd.A.Hoernemann@usace.army.mil]

Subject: RE: 404 tip - Sussex County, DE

## Todd,

Thanks for the quick response and permit status. Good to know about the WRR data.

Would the owners/operators have been eligible for any 404 permitting exemptions if this was a logging operation?

Thanks also for the suggestion to contact the ag/forestry service. If you have any contacts there, I'd appreciate if you could pass them along. If not, they have a good contacts section on their website.

Rebecca

## Rebecca Souto-Glyn

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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:12 PM

To: Glyn, Rebecca <GLYN.REBECCA@EPA.GOV>

Subject: RE: 404 tip - Sussex County, DE

Hi Rebecca,

We do not have any records for the listed properties. You may want to reach out to DE Dept of Ag Forestry Service as this looks like a logging operation.

FYI The WRR permits are only Individual Permits.

Let me know if you need any further assistance, Todd

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To: Hoernemann, Todd A CIV USARMY CENAP (USA) < Todd.A. Hoernemann@usace.army.mil>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] 404 tip - Sussex County, DE

Hi Todd,

We received a complaint about the dumping of waste water and sludges in Sussex County, DE that is allegedly impacting private wells, which our Safe Drinking Water Act enforcement team is looking into. The tipster sent us a lot of files, including the attached spreadsheet where he created lists of parcel IDs, google map locations, and other information.

I copied parcel info from the spreadsheet below for one of the properties he's pointed out as a "dumping site" where "woods have died." It's identified on the National Wetlands Inventory as forested wetlands, except for the road and northern portion. Aerial images show this area was cleared of trees between 2017 and 2018. However, it's not evident from the aerials if they graded the site or removed stumps in addition to clearing the trees.

| <u>Parcel</u>               | State-       |                 | <u>Owner</u>                | <u>Action</u> |               | <u>,</u>      |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| ID Map location             | <u>Owned</u> | <u>Name</u>     | [                           | <u>Date</u>   | <u>Action</u> | <u>Permit</u> |
| Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) | N            | Hickory<br>Hill | Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) | Jun-<br>18    | Woods<br>die  | None          |
|                             | N            | Hickory<br>Hill |                             |               |               | Legitimate    |

Could you please review and let me know if the owners have sought or obtained permits for this operation? I didn't see any permits in the Watershed Resources Registry data, but I'm not sure how far back that layer goes. The tipster is trying to get the attention of the agencies and we'd like to get back to them soon to let them know what we've found and our potential response.

Thanks,

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